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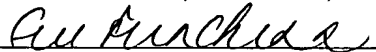
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Title: WAVELENGTH POWER
EQUALIZATION BY ATTENUATION IN
AN OPTICAL SWITCH

Group: Unassigned

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Examiner:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted concurrently with the above-referenced divisional patent application. It is respectfully requested that the preliminary amendment be entered and that the above-referenced patent application and preliminary amendment be considered together.

The **Amendments to the Specification** are reflected in the "Amendments to the Specification" which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the "Listing of Claims" which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.